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39. The method of claim 38, wherein said bone marrow stromal cell is mammalian.

- 40. The method of claim 38, wherein said bone marrow stromal cell is human.
- 41. The method of claim 38, wherein said bone marrow cell is obtained from a dog, cat, rabbit, or horse.
- 42. The method of claim 38, wherein said bone marrow stromal cell was previously frozen.
- 43. A method of inducing differentiation of a bone marrow stromal cell, comprising contacting said cell with a bone morphogenic protein (BMP) selected from the group consisting of BMP-2, BMP-4, and BMP-6.
- 44. The method of claim 43, wherein said bone marrow stromal cell is mammalian.
- 45. The method of claim 43, wherein said bone marrow stromal cell is human.
- 46. The method of claim 43, wherein said bone marrow cell is obtained from a dog, cat, rabbit, or horse.
- 47. The method of claim 43, wherein said bone marrow stromal cell was previously frozen.
- 48. The method of claim 43, wherein said BMP is BMP-2.
- 49. The method of claim 43, wherein said BMP is BMP-4.
- 50. A method of inducing differentiation of a bone marrow stromal cell, comprising culturing said cell in the presence of a transfected cell, wherein said transfected cell expresses a BMP selected from the group consisting of BMP-2, BMP-4, and BMP-6.
- 51. The method of claim 50, wherein said bone marrow stromal cell is mammalian.
- 52. The method of claim 50, wherein said bone marrow stromal cell is human.

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- 53. The method of claim 50, wherein said bone marrow cell is obtained from a dog, cat, rabbit, or horse.
- 54. The method of claim 50, wherein said bone marrow stromal cell was previously frozen.
- 55. The method of clayin 50, wherein said BMP is BMP-2.
- 56. The method of plaim 50, wherein said BMP is BMP-4.
- 57. The method of claim 50, wherein said BMP is BMP-6.
- 58. The method of claim 50, wherein said transfected cell is murine.
- 59. The method of claim 50, wherein said transfected cell is a C3H10T1/2 cell.